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HONGKONG, FEBRUARY 23RD, 1905.

SMALL affairs are sometimes the most important. It is the little annoyances and the little troubles that make life miserable; and unthinkingly, an aggregate of minor pleasures may make the sum of human happiness. Of the numerous little worries incidental to contact with the Chinese, perhaps most people would confess that the attitude of the ricksha coolie or chair coolie on receiving his dole is the most persistently annoying and noticeable. There may be human pachyderms who can turn a deaf ear to the mutterings of the discontented fellow who has not received more than ten cents over his legal fare, and who can move away with a mind serene; but the majority of those who make use of these public vehicles are, we fancy, more sensitive. Apart altogether from such a consideration, there is the awkward question of small change, of which the supply always seems shortest when it is most in request, namely, when the passenger is deposited at the door of his or her domicile. This lack of subsidiary currency often leads to too excessive payment of the carrying coolie, which is a bad thing on two counts. It is no inconsiderable tax on the expenditure of those who use them regularly; and it has the effect of increasing the avarice of the tribe, and of, unofficially, raising the tariff. This is of small importance to some of us, may well be a hardship on numerous families who have to make many ends meet on moderate means. Discount again all these

reasons, the facts still remain that in the public interest, tariffs are legally fixed; that the coolie never fails to take advantage of any uncertainty or indecision shown by his fare; and that those members of the public who do know and remember what is due, are often not in a position to profit by that knowledge without inconvenience and annoyance. If a remedy were attainable, by means not out of proportion to the complaint, would not the public be pleased to welcome it? The answer may be taken for granted by the Colonial Government, if it consider the subject at all worthy its august attention. There is a remedy, for which it is not necessary to go further than Shanghai. Very little trouble indeed, and no expense at all, would be incurred by the Government if it were to adopt the system in vogue in the northern port, of issuing tickets with which to pay the ricksha and chair coolies. The Municipal Council of the Model Settlement sells books containing tickets of various denominations, which are accepted without question by the coolies, and afterwards redeemed by special employees of the Council at their face value. They take up little room in the pocket, and as they cannot be used for other purposes, the purchaser is less likely to run out of them than he is of small change. The public pays a small premium over the face value, in return for the convenience. For instance, with eight hundred and forty cash to the dollar, the purchaser pays a dollar for a little book containing thirty-two tickets worth twenty-four cash each to the coolie to whom he may hand them in payment. In Hongkong, this department would not be troubled with any of the difficulties caused by fluctuations in exchange. The economically minded members of the public, figuring the amounts paid in excess of what they would have spent if they had always had small coins at the right times, would cheerfully pay \$1.20 or some such amount for a book of twenty tickets of five-cent value. It is true that recent municipal returns at Shanghai, which draw our attention to this matter, show a small loss; but it is largely due to the vagaries of exchange. The Colonial accountants would soon be able to calculate what margin should be charged to cover the costs of the small department necessary to work the scheme, which charge would, of course, be wholly paid by the purchaser. It has been noticed that the Shanghai ricksha coolie invariably demands more paid in coin; no matter what the amount given him may be; but that he assumes an air of satisfaction, however unreal, when he is paid in this paper currency. The only case that history records, of a recipient dunning at this form of payment, was at a little card party in Shanghai, where a young gentleman, "cleaned out" at cheap "nap," tried to pay the balance of his indebtedness with the fag end of a ricksha ticket book. Such a contingency is not likely to occur in Hongkong, however; and, all things considered, it might be advantageous for Hongkong, in this connection, to take a leaf out of Shanghai's book.

Mr. Francis James Lias of Yokohama was married last month to a Miss Carver, of Torquay, England.

The corpse of a Chinese who had died of plague was found on a buoy in the Harbour on Tuesday.

Welsh coal rose in price sixpence a ton all round as a result of the colliers' strike in Germany. North country coal also got dearer.

In one of the junks coming from Port Arthur an infant was born, the poor mother being landed in Chefoo in sorry plight after her terrible journey.

It is reported at Tientsin that a foreign merchant has petitioned for the right to run an electric tramway to Machiau from Peking, and from there to Tungchow.

Messrs. Burns Philp, and Company (Limited), of Sydney, are claiming £10,000 damages from the German Government on account of the restriction of trade in the Marshall Islands.

"Fungshui" cannot be any longer in favour at Peking. It is reported that the telephone is going to be fitted connecting the Palace with all the Boards in Peking and also with Viceroy Yuan's yamen and Gen. Ma's yamen in Tung-chow.

From the office of the *Shanghai Mercury* is shortly to come a new monthly publication, called "The Far East." To judge by the prospectus, it seems intended to compete with *East of Asia*, published by the *N.C. Herald*, on similar lines.

The return of native opium in Chihli for the 28th year of Kuang Hsu was 87,954 catties and the duty collected was 28,145 taels. Deducting 4,221 taels as cost of collection, the balance, 23,923 taels, was remitted to the Provincial Treasury for the repayment of foreign loans. The Viceroy has just reported to the Throne that he had spent a very jolly evening.

The *Japan Chronicle* reports that Mr. H. A. Tiontian journal says "Whatever Dr. Raspe, of Raspe & Co., a very popular manufacturer's views may be on the subject of the taxed English resident of Kobe, who has however, as wird to his paper, he denies suffering from a disorder of the nerves, absolutely ever having used the term 'dishonourable'" as applying to General General's course of action.

Foreign capital to the extent of Tls. 2,000,000 has been offered the Kiangsi people for the Kiukiang-Nanchang railway, but it is decided that the people find themselves unable to raise the required sum in native circles. They prefer themselves, says the *Tientsin Times*, on the ground that so far there is no foreign capital employed in their province.

Dispatches from Baku on January 17 state that the town of Shemakhi had suffered terribly

from an earthquake, and the lower part of the town was full of ruins, under which hundreds of victims

had been buried. Notwithstanding the de-

struction arrived at after the earthquake at Shemakhi three years ago, no more houses should

be constructed in the lower part of the town,

building operations had continued, and the place was densely inhabited. The population of the town is 20,000.

We have received from Max Nussler & Co., Shanghai, "The visit of the Tsetoo Lama to Peking," by Ernest Ludwig of the German Legation, Peking. It is a long and painstaking translation of the documents recording the visit of the Tsetoo Lama to the Capital towards the end of the 18th century, and as a reference work on the subject should prove a valuable book. It can be understood, however, only by those conversant with Chinese writing. It is printed by the Tientsin Press.

On Tuesday a trader reported to the Shungau Police Station that during his absence one of his foks had broken into his cabin, broken open his boxes, and extracted therefrom an amount of \$370 in subsidiary coins. A report of the matter was forwarded to the Water Police, who went out to search incoming launches to the New Territory. Sergeant Boole and Chinese constable Li Ping arrested the fok on board a launch with all the money in his possession. It was in his girdle. He will probably be charged at the Police Court this morning.

Some very good stories were told at the recent Education Conference at Manchester. One speaker related how he once remarked to a lady sitting next to him at dinner on the usefulness of wars in one direction—they disseminated a knowledge of geography. Indeed, he confessed to her that he himself was ignorant of the Philippine Islands to a deplorable degree until the Spanish-American war broke out. The lady's face was a picture of horror and distress. "Why?" said she, "do you mean to say you never have seen St. Paul's Epistles to the Philippians?"

The potato boom has not yet run its course in Lincolnshire, and a well known agricultural market, underwent much heckling as to the single tuber he paid twenty pounds for to Mr. Findlay, the originator of the Northern Star and El Dorado varieties. Mr. Scarrott said he had since been offered twenty-five pounds for this potato, but had refused the offer. As however, the would-be purchaser was very pressing, he allowed him to cut out a single-eye for the sum of five pounds. This is, probably, the first time in the history of the potato that a single eye from one has had a bank-note value.

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EDWARD OSBORNE,

Secretary. Hongkong, 22nd February, 1905. 524

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CHINA'S NEW MINING REGULATIONS.

It will be remembered that last Spring some extensive mining regulations were drawn up by the Board of Commerce with the object, frankly confessed, of blocking the way of foreign enterprise seeking to develop China's mineral resources. The spirit of those regulations was recognized in diplomatic circles as being diametrically opposed to the progressive anticipations of the Commercial Treaty executed under the sanguine direction of Mr. now Sir James Mackay, and objection was made to their promulgation. As not infrequently occurs however, the diplomatic protests were not in time to prevent the new regulations being very widely circulated, and though officially supposed to be in abeyance they are from time to time referred to, and the general principles indicated by them particularly in regard to foreign participation in mining industries, have been readily and universally assimilated. In the desire to make the road of mining development, though for foreign feet however, the Board of Commerce have hitherto recklessly crippled native industry as well, and two protests have been recently sent up to the Board in regard to the difficulty of working coal mines under the existing requirements. The first is from the Lieutenant-General at Jehol who points out that the people in that region are far from wealthy and cannot possibly raise the sum of money required to legitimate mining operations under the present regime, and he urges that these requirements be modified to suit local conditions.

The Chin Kang Coal Mining Company in like manner has petitioned the Board that Anhui abounds in coal mines, but that owing to the arbitrary demands in regard to capital, the people cannot obtain enough coal even for necessary requirements, the qualification to secure mining rights being a capital of Tia. 100,000, a positively prohibitory amount in nine districts out of ten.

The Board of Commerce has therefore had to consider the matter and now advises all the Viceroy that in future natives desirous of working coal mine by native methods and with less than Tia. 10,000 capital, may procure the necessary grant for surveying the mine on depositing one fourth of their capital as a guarantee, and the working certificate will be given on depositing on half of the capital.

In several provinces abound in coal mines, this revised regulation will be added to the existing ones, and it is estimated that great advantage will accrue to small capitalists from the modification. Vice-Roy Yuan as Superintendent of Northern Trade has been specially directed to notify all officials under his jurisdiction of the alteration, and to notify the General at Jehol of the change.—*Peking and Tientsin Times.*

CHINA'S FINANCIAL DIFFICULTIES.

The *Peking Times* says:—The object of the loan which has been floated in London and Paris at 97, is to meet the deficiency existing between the silver payments of the indemnity actually made and the gold payments thereof which China has agreed to make. The amount could of course be very easily paid up without any foreign loan at all, as we know by the large sums being continually remitted to Peking for quite other purposes, and as instances by the scandalous waste of money alleged to have taken place in connection with the Empress Dowager's birthday in spite of Imperial protestations against any unnecessary divergence of the national funds. For many months past the question of enforcing the indemnity on a gold basis has been engrossing the attention of the diplomats and the central Government in Peking, first, as to whether the indemnity was a gold or a silver debt, secondly allowing it to be the former, as to the precise method of payment and rate of exchange binding on China in paying it. Great divergence of opinion has existed in regard to the latter, the Powers making the smallest original claim being those most ready now to fall in with China's proposals, and to leave her a free hand in regard to the purchase of her gold, in any way most advantageous to herself. The question of a silver payment was created by China on the great fall in silver which took place subsequent to restoration to normal conditions, though the rate of exchange on which a gold payment was to be made was clearly stipulated in the Protocol in Article VI.

From arguments frequently put forward it might be inferred that China had always in the past shown a natural and spontaneous desire at all times to fulfil her undertakings, and that the Powers are now only bent on unmercifully extorting from her more than due. The history of international intercourse with China however presents us rather with a record only of evaded promises and broken bonds, even in matters which would cost her nothing but honesty of purpose, and knowing the present spirit of the Government undue sentiment in regard to the indemnity question seems a little unnecessary.

CHINESE OFFICIALDOM.

The following is a memorial submitted by Viceoy Chang Chih-tung requesting a temporary suspension of expectant officials. They are crowded in Hupeh at present.

In recent years, owing to the reduced rate of the purchase of official ranks in Chihli, Shensi, Shantung and other provinces, people of all classes have entered the official state, so much so that even taotai and prefects have increased in number. Formerly, there were only ten expectant taotai and twenty expectant prefects, while at present there are forty-three taotai and fifty prefects in expectancy, for whom no positions are available in this province. Lately, the officials are more extravagant, the houses in Wu-chang have all been taken; both house rent and articles of daily use are expensive, and more expenses are incurred by officials who hold taotai or prefect's rank. If those people would attend to their original professions and remain what they are, or purchase lower ranks, they would be relieved from their present destination.

The edict which was issued last spring, ordering the abolition of useless posts and officials affords even less chance for the expectants to make a living. The dutiful ones are patient and less ambitious, but the enthusiasts who are bugy in their anxiety for appointments are a disgrace to officialdom. When unemployed, they plan hard to obtain positions, and when employed, increase of pay is only thought of, and they are not satisfied until literary posts have fallen into their hands. The bad practice of extortion and the tyrannical harassing of the people is put into execution as soon as they are placed in office. Should their desires not be gratified, they spread rumours, confound right and wrong, and work against reform. The evil was not so bad some ten years ago. The throne is therefore requested to order the Board of Civil Appointments not to send any taotai or prefect of whatsoever class for two years, so as to give chances to those already in stock and put a check to the infamous customs.

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GARRISON ORDERS.

HEAD QUARTERS.

HONGKONG, 2nd February 1905.

GENERAL ORDER—London Gazette, No. 32. The following extract from the London Gazette dated 17th January, 1905 is published for information:—Royal Garrison Artillery, Hongkong, Singapore, Battalion, Hainan, Mrs. Lal Singh to be Janadar, to complete establishment. Dated 11th Jan., 1904.

India—No. 33. The following extract from the Gazette of India is published for information:—Military Department, Fort William, 13th January, 1905. The following promotions are made subject to His Majesty's approval:—Second-Lieutenants to be Lieutenant and Second-Lieutenant, 11th November, 1904. Cyril Charles Johnson Barrett, 11th Maharashtra Light Inf., No Edmund Reilly, 11th Maharashtra Light Infantry.

Colonel ORDERS.—Leave in Extension.

No. 10. With reference to Garrison Order, No. 3 in December, 1904, leave of absence in extension has been granted to Captain T. X. Bush, 11th Maharashtra Light Infantry from 18th to 19th February, 1905.

Order No. 3. With reference to Garrison

Order No. 3 of 21st instant the claim should be made under Para 309 Allowance Regulation.

By Order

A. A. CHICHESTER, Major.

Chief Staff Officer.

BY COLONEL TREVOR R. WYNNE.

It friends in China, says the *N.C. Daily News* will be interested to learn that Mr. T. R. Wynne, C.I.E., has been invited by Lord Curzon, Vice of India, to join the newly-formed

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ANGHIN, German str., 1.0.1. F. J. Schefer, 21st Feb.—Bangkok 14th Feb., Rice and Wood.—Butterfield & Swire.
DERWENT, British str., 2,046, Jenkins, 23rd Feb.—Saigon 13th Feb., General—Chinaman.
FEI, Norwegian str., 860, N. Anderson, 22nd Feb.—Wakamatsu 15th February, Coal.—Agaard, Thorstein & Co.
FETTER, Norwegian str., 22nd Feb.—Tamsui, Amoy and Swatow 21st Feb., General—Osaka Shosen Kaisha.
HAICHING, British str., 1,267, A. E. Hodgins, 22nd Feb.—Foochow 12th Feb., Amoy 24th and Swatow 21st, General—Douglas Lapusk & Co.
KING RODER, British str., 2,514, Fairbanks, 22nd Feb.—Penang 13th Dec., Coal—Dowdell & Co.
KWANGHSE, Chinese str., 1,474, R. Lincoln, 22nd February—Shanghai 19th February, General—Chinese.
LOONMONG, German str., 22nd Feb., from Canton.
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YATMING, British str., 22nd February, from Canton.

CLEARANCES.

AT THE HANNOVER MASTERS' OFFICE
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Haidan, French str., for Hoilow.
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D-PARTURES.
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CHOWHUNG, British str., for Shanghai.
HONGKONG, French str., for Haiphong.
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TRAN, British str., for Manila.
22nd February.
REGENTALE, British str., for Colombo.
CARL DIEDERICHSSEN, Ger. str., for Haiphong.
HANGHOU, British str., for Shanghai.
MARQUE DU BACQUEHEM, Austr. str., for Shanghai.
OCEANIEN, French str., for Shanghai.
RAEN, Norwegian str., for Kobe.
SHAOSHING, British str., for Shanghai.
WOOSING, British str., for Shanghai.
YATMING, British str., for Foochow.

SHIPPING REPORTS.

The German str. *Anghin* reports: Fine weather, but little foggy.
The Chinese str. *Kwanghse* reports: Fine to Lamock; the sea to port thick fog.

The British str. *Derwent* reports: Light southerly wind and fine clear weather, sea smooth.

The British str. *Haiching* reports: Foochow to Amoy had moderate to light winds and hazy weather. Amoy to Swatow similar weather. Swatow to port dense fog, calms and smooth sea.

VESSELS PASSED ANJER.

Feb. 3, British str. *Iksal*, from Port Natal for Hongkong.
Feb. 3, British str. *Lothian*, from Port Natal for Hongkong.
Feb. 3, British str. *Islander*, Wright, Feb. 1, from Singapore for Christmas Island.
Feb. 5, British str. *Antonius Salter*, Jan. 10, from Hongkong for Apior.
Feb. 6, British str. *Gastic*, Headwill, Feb. 6, from Batavia.
Feb. 7, British str. *Shizala*, Brown, Dec. 30, from London for Batavia.
Feb. 7, Italian cruiser from East.

VESSELS IN DOCK.

22nd February.
ARMEDEN DOCKS.—Ergen.
KOWLOON LOCKS.—Katherine Park, Diu, Keifeng, H.M.S. Moorhen, Triton, Tringau, Germanicus, H.M.S. Otter, H.M.S. Glory, Oscar II, Empress of Japan.
COBRA POLITICAL DOCK.—Macaw.

VESSELS ON THE BERTH

NORDDEUTSCHE LLOYD, BREMEN

NOTICE.

STEAM FOR KUDAT AND SANDAKAN. Taking cargo at through rates to TAWAO, LAHADDATU, LABUAN, JOLO, ZAMBOANGA AND MENADO.

THE Company's Steamship
"BORNEO." Captain E. Muller, will be ready to load for the above ports on the 22nd inst.

For Freight or Passage, apply to
NORDDEUTSCHER LILOYD,
MELCHERS & CO., Agents.

Hongkong, 10th February, 1905. [427]

DOUGLAS STEAMSHIP COMPANY,
LIMITED.

FOR SWATOW, AMOY AND FOOCHOW.
THE Company's Steamship

"HAICHING."

Captain Hedges, will be despatched for the above ports to MOKEOW, the 24th inst., at 10 A.M. For Freight or Passage, apply to

DOUGLAS LAPAIK & CO., General Managers.

Hongkong, 22nd February, 1905. [520]

NORDDEUTSCHE LLOYD, BREMEN.
IMPERIAL GERMAN MAIL LINE.
JAPAN—CHINA—AUSTRALIA.

FOR BRISBANE AND SYDNEY, VIA
NEW GUINEA.

THE Steamship
"PRINZ SIGISMUND."

Captain D. Lewz, will be ready to load for the above places on MONDAY, the 6th March.

This Steamer is specially fitted for Passengers and is installed throughout with the Electric Light.

A duly qualified Surgeon and Stewardess are carried.

For Freight or Passage, apply to

NORDDEUTSCHER LILOYD,
MELCHERS & CO., Agents.

Hongkong, 21st February, 1905. [512]

NATAL LINE OF STEAMERS.

THE Undersigned GENERAL AGENTS
IN CHINA and JAPAN for the above Line
are prepared to issue THROUGH BILLS
OF LADING for all the principal ports in
SOUTH AFRICA, in connection with
INDO-CHINA SITAM NAVIGATION CO.'s fortnightly
service hence to CALCUTTA. Sailings from
CALCUTTA for CAPE PORTS every fortnight.

Freight and further particulars,
apply to

DODWEIL & CO., LIMITED.

General Agents for China and Japan.

Hongkong, 4th August, 1904.

VESSELS ADVERTISED AS LOADING

To ascertain the anchorage of any vessel, the Harbour has been divided into 8 Sections commencing from Green Island. Vessels anchoring nearest Kowloon are marked K, nearest Hongkong H, midway between Hongkong and Kowloon M, and thenceforth berthed at the Kowloon Wharf W, together with the number denoting the section.

1. From Green Island to the Harbour Master's.
2. From Harbour Master's to Blake Pier.

SECTIONS.

3. From Blake Pier to Naval Yard.
4. From Naval Yard to East Point.

DESTINATION	VESSEL'S NAME	FLAG & REG. BIRTH	CAPTAIN	FOR FREIGHT APPLY TO	TO BE DESPATCHED
LONDON, &c., VIA PORTS OF CALL	CRUSAN	Brit. str. —	H. W. Kentrik, R.N.R.	P. & O. S. N. Co.	On 25th inst., at Noon.
LONDON & ANTWERP VIA SINGAPORE &c.	FORUMOSA	Brit. str. —	B. W. H. Snow	P. & O. S. N. Co.	About 1st Mar.
AMSTERDAM, LONDON & ANTWERP	IDOMENUS	Brit. str. 1 m.	—	BUTTERFIELD & SWIRE	29th inst.
AMSTERDAM, LONDON & ANTWERP	STINTOR	Brit. str. 1 m.	—	BUTTERFIELD & SWIRE	On 14th Mar.
AMSTERDAM, LONDON & ANTWERP	ACHILLES	Brit. str. 1 m.	—	BUTTERFIELD & SWIRE	On 28th Mar.
AMSTERDAM, LONDON & ANTWERP	MACHAON	Brit. str. 1 m.	—	BUTTERFIELD & SWIRE	On 11th April.
AMSTERDAM, LONDON & ANTWERP	KAISSON	Brit. str. 1 m.	—	BUTTERFIELD & SWIRE	On 25th April.
MARSEILLES, &c., VIA PORTS OF CALL	CALEDONIEN	Fren. str. —	Gregory	MESSAGERIES MARITIMES	On 7th Mar., at 1 P.M.
MARSEILLE, HAVRE & HAMBURG	EUROPA	Ger. str. k. w.	Behrens	HAMBURG-AMERIKA LINIE	On 18th Mar.
HAMBURG DIRECT	SACHEM	Ger. str. —	Feyen	MELCHERS & CO.	On 1st Mar., at Noon.
HAVRE, ANTWERP & HAMBURG	SAMIA	Ger. str. k. w.	Linning	HAMBURG-AMERIKA LINIE	On 8th Mar.
HAVRE & HAMBURG	ALEXIA	Ger. str. k. w.	Suchs	HAMBURG-AMERIKA LINIE	On 1st Mar.
HAVRE & HAMBURG	SIBYL	Ger. str. k. w.	Kneisel	HAMBURG-AMERIKA LINIE	On 4th April.
HAVRE & HAMBURG	SLAVONIA	Ger. str. k. w.	Madsen	HAMBURG-AMERIKA LINIE	On 2nd May.
GENOA, MARSEILLE & LIVERPOOL	PATHOCLES	Brit. str. 1 m.	Craigietto	BUTTERFIELD & SWIRE	On 20th Mar.
GENOA, MARSEILLE & LIVERPOOL	ALCINOUS	Brit. str. 1 m.	Filler	SANDER, WIELER & CO.	On 27th inst., P.M.
ODESSA	PRESIA	Ans. str. —	Habel	DODWELL & CO., LTD.	Quick despatch.
NEW YORK, VIA PORTS & SUEZ CANAL	MEADUSA	Ger. str. —	—	HAMBURG-AMERIKA LINIE	About 24th Mar.
NEW YORK VIA SUEZ	RICHMOND CASTLE	Brit. str. 2 m.	—	HAMBURG-AMERIKA LINIE	On 8th Mar., at Noon.
VANCOUVER, VIA SHANGHAI &c.	NESEA	Brit. str. 2 m.	—	CANADIAN PACIFIC R. CO.	On 15th Mar.
VICTORIA (E.C.) & SEATTLE VIA NAGASAKI, &c.	ATHENIAN	Brit. str. 2 m.	—	CANADIAN PACIFIC R. CO.	On 1st Mar.
VICTORIA (E.C.) & NAGOYA VIA JAPAN	PINGAUNY	Brit. str. —	F. G. Parington	BUTTERFIELD & SWIRE	On 1st Mar.
TIENTSIEN VIA SWATOW	PLIBLADES	Brit. str. —	Schubert	DODWELL & CO., LIMITED	On 5th Mar., at Daylight.
TIENTSIEN	ARAGONIA	Brit. str. —	Ellis	PORTLAND & ASIATIC S.S. CO.	On 11th Mar., at Noon.
SHANGHAI	EASTERN	Brit. str. —	—	GIBR. LIVINGSTON & CO.	On 13th Mar.
CHANGSHA	TRIUMPH	Brit. str. —	—	BUTTERFIELD & SWIRE	Quick despatch.
CHANGSHA	FRITHJOF	Brit. str. —	—	SHEWAN, TOME & CO.	To-morrow.
CHANGSHA	B. B. BROWNSON	Brit. str. —	—	DODWELL & CO., LTD.	On 25th inst.
ESAN	CHIHLI	Brit. str. 2 h.	—	HAMBURG-AMERIKA LINIE	To-day.
LOONGSAM	HUNG	Brit. str. —	—	JARDINE, MATHESON & CO.	On 25th inst.
MANILA	TRIUMPH	Brit. str. —	—	BUTTERFIELD & SWIRE	To-morrow.
MANILA	TRIUMPH	Brit. str. —	—	R. A. Paton	About 25th inst.
MANILA	ZAFIRO	Brit. str. —	—	OSSA SHOSSEN KAISHA	On 1st Mar., at Daylight.
MANILA	TRIUMPH	Brit. str. —	—	OSSA SHOSSEN KAISHA	On 5th Mar., at Daylight.
CEBU & ILIOILO	TRIUMPH	Brit. str. —	—	OSSA SHOSSEN KAISHA	On 5th Mar., at Daylight.
BATAVIA, CIREBON, SAMARANO, &c.	TRIUMPH	Brit. str. —	—	Douglas Lapraik & Co.	To-morrow, at 10 A.M.
KUANTAN & SANAKAN	TRIUMPH	Brit. str. —	—	BUTTERFIELD & SWIRE	On 28th inst.
SINGAPORE & SORABAYA	TRIUMPH	Brit. str. —	—	JARDINE, MATHESON & CO.	To-morrow.
SINGAPORE, PENANG & CALCUTTA	TRIUMPH	Brit. str. —	—	W. M. Koops	About 1st Mar.
CATHERINE AFCAK	TRIUMPH	Brit. str. —	—	MELCHERS & CO.	Quick despatch.
			—	DAVID SASDON & CO., LTD.	On 25th inst., at Noon.
			—		On 28th inst., at 3 P.M.

SUBJECT TO ALTERATION.

STEAMERS DESTINATIONS SAILING DATES

STEAMERS	DESTINATIONS	SAILING DATES
ALESIA	HAVRE, ANTWERP and HAMBURG	On 1st Mar. Freight.
SAMBIA	BREMEN DIRECT	On 8th Mar. Freight.
RHENANIA	MARSEILLE, HAVRE & HAMBURG	On 18th Mar. Freight & Passenger.
SUEVIA	HAVRE and HAMBURG	On 4th April. Freight.
SILESIA	HAVRE and HAMBURG	On 18th April. Freight & Passenger.
SALVIA	HAVRE and HAMBURG	On 2nd May. Freight & Passenger.
ANDALUSIA	ODESSA	middle of March Freight.
ZAFIRO	to sail from Singapore about	about beginning of April.
CAPTAIN HABEL	NEW YORK VIA SUEZ	Wednesday, 2nd Mar.
CAPTAIN HABEL	with liberty to call at the Manilla route	Friday, 4th Mar.
CAPTAIN HABEL	of the Suez Canal	Wednesday, 10th Mar.
CAPTAIN HABEL	For Further Particulars, apply to	Wednesday, 17th Mar.

HAMBURG-AMERIKA LINIE.

HONGKONG OFFICE NO. 1, QUEEN'S BUILDING.

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SOUTH AFRICAN LINE OF STEAMERS.

OCEAN STEAM SHIP CO., LTD.
AND
CHINA MUTUAL STEAM
NAVIGATION CO., LTD.
JOINT SERVICES.

FORTNIGHTLY SAILINGS FOR LONDON AND CONTINENT.
MONTHLY SAILINGS FOR LIVERPOOL.

TAKING CARGO ON THROUGH BILLS OF LADING FOR ALL EUROPEAN,
NORTH AND SOUTH AMERICAN, WEST AUSTRALIAN, JAVA,
AND SUMATRA PORTS.

OUTWARDS.

FROM	STEAMERS	DUE
GLASGOW and LIVERPOOL	"PINSQUEY"	On 27th February.
GLASGOW and LIVERPOOL	"ANTENOR"	On 5th March.
GLASGOW and LIVERPOOL	"ULISSES"	On 7th March.
GLASGOW and LIVERPOOL	"PYTHIUS"	On 10th March.
GLASGOW and LIVERPOOL	"MACHAON"	On 13th March.
GLASGOW and LIVERPOOL	"ALCINOUS"	On 18th March.
GLASGOW and LIVERPOOL	"OANFA"	On 21st March.
GLASGOW and LIVERPOOL	"KAISSO"	On 25th March.
GLASGOW and LIVERPOOL	"AGAMEMNON"	On 28th March.

HOMEWARDS.

FOR	STEAMERS	TO SAIL
AMSTERDAM, LONDON and ANTWERP	"IDOMENEUS"	On 28th February.
AMSTERDAM, LONDON and ANTWERP	"STENTOR"	On 14th March.
GENOA, MARSEILLES and LIVERPOOL	"PATROCLUS"	On 20th March.
AMSTERDAM, LONDON and ANTWERP	"ACHILLES"	On 28th March.
AMSTERDAM, LONDON and ANTWERP	"MACHAON"	On 11th April.
GENOA, MARSEILLES and LIVERPOOL	"ALCINOUS"	On 20th April.
AMSTERDAM, LONDON and ANTWERP	"KAISSO"	On 25th April.
Taking Cargo for Liverpool at London Rates.		

TRANS-PACIFIC SERVICE.

FOR	STEAMERS	TO SAIL
VICTORIA, SEATTLE, TACOMA, and NELSON, PACIFIC COAST PORTS, VIA NAGASAKI, KOBE & YOKOHAMA	"PINSQUEY"	On 1st March.
For Freight, apply to—	"OANFA"	On 25th March.

BUTTERFIELD & SWIRE, AGENTS.

Hongkong, 13th February, 1905.

CHINA NAVIGATION CO.
LIMITED.

FOR	STEAMERS	TO SAIL
CEBU and ILOILO	"KAIFONG"	On 23rd February.
SHANGHAI	"KALGAN"	On 23rd February.
KOBE	"PAOTUNG"	On 24th February.
TIENTSIN	"CHANGSHA"	On 24th February.
SWATOW, AMOY, CHEFOO and TIENTSIN	"KANSU"	On 25th February.
PORTE DARWIN, THURSDAY ISLAND, COOKTOWN, CAIRNS, TOWNSVILLE, BRISBANE and SYDNEY	"CHIHLI"	On 28th February.
* The attention of Passengers is directed to the superior accommodation offered by these steamers, which are fitted throughout with Electric Light. Unrivalled Table. A duly qualified Surgeon is carried.		
* Taking Cargo on through Bills of Lading to all Yangtze and Northern China Ports.		
* Taking Cargo and Passengers at through rates for all New Zealand Ports and other Australian Ports.		
REDUCED SALOON FARES, SINGLE AND RETURN, TO MANILA AND AUSTRALIAN PORTS.		
For Freight or Passage, apply to—		

BUTTERFIELD & SWIRE, AGENTS.

Hongkong, 20th February, 1905.

CANADIAN PACIFIC RAILWAY CO.'S ROYAL MAIL STEAMSHIP LINE.

THE FAST ROUTE BETWEEN CHINA, JAPAN, AND EUROPE, VIA CANADA AND THE UNITED STATES.

CALLING AT SHANGHAI, NAGASAKI, KOBE, YOKOHAMA AND VICTORIA, B.C.

SAVING THREE TO SEVEN DAYS ACROSS THE PACIFIC.

PROPOSED SAILINGS FROM HONGKONG (SUBJECT TO ALTERATION):
R.M.S. "EMPERESS OF JAPAN" ... 6,000 Tons WEDNESDAY, 8th Mar.
R.M.S. "ATHENIAN" 3,852 Tons WEDNESDAY, 16th Mar.
R.M.S. "EMPERESS OF CHINA" ... 6,000 Tons WEDNESDAY, 29th Mar.
R.M.S. "EMPERESS OF INDIA" ... 6,000 Tons WEDNESDAY, 19th April.
R.M.S. "TARTAR" 4,425 Tons WEDNESDAY, 26th April.
Hongkong to London, 1st Class via St. Lawrence 260. via New York 262.
Intermediate on Steamers, 2nd and 3rd Class Rail 240. " 242.

THE magnificent TWIN-SCREW "EMPERESS" STEAMSHIPS passing through the famous INLAND SEA of JAPAN, usually make the voyage YOKOHAMA to VANCOUVER (B.C.) in 12 DAYS and make connection with the PALATIAL OVERLAND TRAINS FROM THE PACIFIC TO THE ATLANTIC WITHOUT CHANGE.

R.M.S. "TARTAR" and "ATHENIAN" carry "Intermediate" passengers only at intermediate rates, affording superior accommodation for that class.

Passenger Booked through to all principal points and AROUND THE WORLD.

SPECIAL RATES (First class only) granted to Missionaries, Members of the Naval and Military, Diplomatic, and Civil Services, and to European Officials in the Service of China and Japanese Governments.

For further information, Maps, Guides, Handbooks, Rates of Passage and Freight, apply to D. W. CRADDOCK, Acting General Agent, 9, Pedder Street.

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PROJECTED SAILINGS FROM HONGKONG. SUBJECT TO ALTERATION.

FOR STEAMERS TO SAIL

TIENTSIN VIA SWATOW "ESANG" Fri., 24th Feb., 3 p.m.
MANILA "LOONGSANG" Fri., 24th Feb., 4 p.m.
SINGAPORE and SOURABAYA "AMARA" Sat., 25th Feb., Noon.

* These steamers have superior accommodation for First-Class Passengers and are fit throughout with Electric Light.

* Taking Cargo on through Bills of Lading to Chefoo, Tientsin and Yangtze Ports.

For Freight or Passage, apply to

JARDINE, MATHESON & CO., GENERAL MANAGERS.

Hongkong, 20th February, 1905.

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PORTLAND & ASIATIC STEAMSHIP CO.

PROPOSED SAILINGS FROM HONGKONG SHIP TO INLAND SEA OF JAPAN, MOJI, KOBE AND YOKOHAMA FOR PORTLAND, OREGON OPERATING IN CONNECTION WITH THE OREGON RAILROAD & NAVIGATION CO.

STEAMSHIP TONS CAPTAIN TO SAIL AT DAYLIGHT ON

"ARAGONIA" 5,198 Schuld March 5th, 1905.
"NICOMEDIA" 4,370 Wagner March 31st, 1905.

"NUMANTIA" 4,370 Brehmer April 26th, 1905.

"ARABIA" 4,483 Bahle May 11th, 1905.

Through Bills of Lading issued to Pacific Coast Points and all Eastern Canadian and United States Ports. For through rates of Freight and further information, communicate with or apply to

ALLAN CAMERON, GENERAL AGENT.

Hongkong, 15th February, 1905.

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PENINSULAR AND ORIENTAL
STEAM NAVIGATION COMPANY.

FOR	STEAMERS	TO SAIL	REMARKS
LONDON, &c.	{ CHUSAN { H. W. Keirick, R.M.	25th February	{ See Special Advertisment.
SHANGHAI	MALTA { R. A. Peters	About 25th February	{ Freight and Passage.
LONDON and ANTWERP VIA SINGAPORE, PENANG, COLOMBO, PORT SAID and MARSEILLES	POBMOSA { B. W. H. Snow	About 1st March	{ Freight and Passage.

For further Particulars, apply to

E. A. HEWETT, Superintendent.

Hongkong, 17th February, 1905.

NOTICES TO CONSIGNEES

AUSTRIAN LLOYD'S STEAM NAVIGATION COMPANY.

NOTICE TO CONSIGNEES.

FROM TRIESTE, PIUME, PORT SAID, ADEN, BOMBAY, COLOMBO, PENANG, AND SINGAPORE.

THE Company's Steamship

"CATHERINE APCAR."

Captain A. Stewart, will be despatched for the above ports on TUESDAY, the 28th inst., at 3 P.M.

For Freight or Passage, apply to

DAVID SASOON & CO., LTD.

Agents.

Hongkong, 22nd February, 1905.

NOTICE TO CONSIGNEES.

EASTERN AND AUSTRALIAN STEAM SHIP COMPANY, LIMITED.

NOTICE TO CONSIGNEES.

FOR SYDNEY AND MELBOURNE.

(Calling at MANILA, PORT DARWIN & QUEENSLAND PORTS, and taking through Cargo to

ADELAIDE, NEW ZEALAND, TASMANIA, &c.)

This Vessel will bring Cargo—

From Vouloix ex a. Venus, transhipped

Trent.

From Trieste ex a. Imperator, transhipped at Bombay.

From Zambar ex a. Bohemia, transhipped at Aden.

Optional Cargo will be discharged here unless notice to the contrary be given immediately.

No Claims will be admitted after the Goods have left the Godowns, and all Claims must be sent in to the Office of the undersigned before NOON, on the 28th February, or they will not be recognised.

No Fire Insurance has been effected, and any Goods remaining in the Godowns after the 28th February, will be subject to rent.

Bills of Lading will be countersigned by

SANDER WIESLER & CO.

Agents.

Hongkong, 20th February, 1905.

NOTICE TO CONSIGNEES.

FROM ROTTERDAM, ANTWERP PENANG AND SINGAPORE.

THE H.A.L. Steamship

"EASTERN."

Captain W. Ellis, will be despatched for the above ports on SATURDAY, the 11th March, at NOON.

This well-known Steamer is specially fitted for Passengers, and has a Refrigerating Chamber, which ensures the supply of Fresh Provisions, Ice, &c., throughout the voyage.

This Steamer is installed throughout with the Electric Light.

A duly qualified Surgeon and Stewardess are carried.

N.B.—To assure the additional comfort of passengers the Steamers of the Company have electric fans fitted in staterooms.

For Freight or Passage, apply to

GIBB, LIVINGSTON & CO.

Agents.

Hongkong, 21st February, 1905.

NOTICE TO SHIPPERS.

THE NIPPON YUSEN KAISHA

are prepared, during suspension of their Trans-Pacific Service and until further notice to book cargo and issue Bills of Lading for

OVERLAND POINTS in the UNITED STATES and CANADA in connection with the GREAT NORTHERN RAILWAY from SEATTLE to

CANADA and the UNITED STATES and to

NORTHERN RAILWAY from SEATTLE to

VANCOUVER, via the神戶 (Kobe) Wharf and Godown Company, Limited, and stored at Consignee's risk and expense.

No Claims will be admitted after the Goods have left the Godowns, and all Goods remaining undelivered after the 23rd inst., will be subject to rent.

All broken, chafed, and damaged Goods are to be left in the Godowns, where they will be examined on the 23rd inst., at 3 P.M.

No Fire Insurance has been effected.

Optional Cargo will be forwarded unless notice to the contrary be given before TO-DAY, the 16th inst.

Any cargo impeding her discharge will be landed into the Godowns of the Hongkong and Kowloon Wharf and Godown Company, Limited, and stored at Consignee's risk and expense.

